

State	Recipient	Purpose	Amount
Alabama	Federation of Southern Cooperatives	To provide technical assistance, training, and other development services to a network of cooperatives and credit unions serving African-American farmers and other low income rural residents of distressed rural communities across the Black Belt South.	\$321,104
Arkansas	Winrock International Institute for Agricultural Development	To offer quality technical and training services to existing and newly organized cooperatives, helping those cooperatives study marketing and value-added issues and joint venture possibilities, and respond to requests for assistance from groups around the region.	\$325,253
California	University of California	To assist new cooperatives with development activity, conduct research, and provide education.	\$327,748
Colorado	Rocky Mountain Farmers Union Educational & Charitable Foundation	To improve the economic condition of rural areas through cooperative development by creating and retaining jobs in rural areas and by developing businesses based on value-added production, processing, and marketing.	\$324,500
Iowa	Iowa State University	To initiate and strengthen producer cooperatives in Iowa through assessment of new business opportunities in biodiesel, identification and evaluation of new producer-owned cooperative and business structures, business development assistance, and cooperative director training in strategic and financial management.	\$272,382
Illinois	Southern Illinois University-Carbondale	To promote sustainable rural economic development in Illinois, to continue support of the 14 cooperative entities previously assisted by the Center, to identify and assist at least four additional cooperative groups, and to continue to work in collaboration with the USDA-RD Cooperative Services Program in Illinois.	\$209,992
Indiana	Indiana Rural Development Council	To provide technical assistance, education, public awareness, and individual mentoring and to increase the capacity of relevant institutions and agencies to engage in future cooperative development activities.	\$175,000
Kentucky	Kentucky Center for Agricultural and Rural Development	To deliver technical assistance to new and existing cooperatives, to provide educational opportunities addressing cooperative challenges and issues, to facilitate new economic opportunities for Kentucky farmers and rural businesses through cooperative development, expanding and stabilizing existing cooperatives, to develop support networks among providers and resources both within and outside the state, and to promote cooperative systems to the citizenry and decision-makers across Kentucky.	\$314,575

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Massachusetts	Cooperative Development Institute	To work with low-income and underserved rural communities in the Northeast to improve rural economic conditions by helping farmers increase profitability through joint marketing, cost reduction, and value-added processing and by assisting consumers, workers, and small businesses to reduce costs, to improve access to essential services, and to increase profitability.	\$324,811
Minnesota	Northcountry Cooperative Foundation	To encourage cooperative enterprise that contributes to the economic health and stability of rural areas, to host a superior network of training and technical assistance, and to function as a center for innovation and core depository of "best practices" knowledge, aiming to encourage the use of the cooperative model to its creative best.	\$347,372
Missouri	Missouri Family Farm Opportunity Center	To improve the economic condition of rural areas in Missouri through cooperative development by providing expertise and facilitation to interested parties for the formation of new cooperatives and to enhance the success of existing cooperatives and to transmit unique models of cooperative techniques and strategies to cooperators through outreach and education.	\$324,400
Missouri	Missouri Incutech Foundation	To assist producer cooperatives in capitalizing on unique opportunities to add value qualities to products and implementing efficiencies in the process supply chain.	\$300,000
Mississippi	Mississippi Association of Cooperatives	To extend information to potential cooperative members about the role of cooperatives and the resources available to assist in forming new cooperatives, to provide support to existing cooperatives and a mechanism for the development of new cooperatives, and to develop direct horizontal linkages among producer groups and vertical linkages with consumers and markets.	\$324,240
Montana	Lake County Community Development Corporation	To effectively incubate cooperatively-based, value-added businesses within its business enterprise center and to provide technical assistance to cooperative businesses within its region, to develop and strengthen Montana's statewide network of cooperative technical assistance providers to assist in the development of cooperative enterprises, to assist Tribal Nations with cooperative development, and to develop and implement programs that target assistance toward efforts being made by small farms and other businesses to work cooperatively to achieve mutual goals.	\$186,015

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North Dakota	North Dakota Association of Rural Electric Cooperatives	To provide technical assistance to new enterprise development in rural areas, to assist troubled rural companies/cooperatives that are attempting to regenerate, to generate new ideas or concepts in cooperative development, to provide enterprise development coaching, and to share development experiences with others involved in cooperative development.	\$325,000
Nebraska	Nebraska Cooperative Development Center	To provide technical assistance to cooperative groups, to strengthen horizontal linkages among cooperative groups, to further the development of the Certified First Responder Network, to foster education, outreach and capacity building for cooperative development, and to enhance the transferability of Nebraska's experiences and best practices to other states.	\$328,826
Ohio	Ohio State University Research Foundation	To enhance economic development in rural Ohio by fostering new cooperatives and strengthening existing cooperatives.	\$346,258
Texas	University of Texas-Pan American	To promote the development of minority-owned cooperatives, to enhance the utilization of international marketing by cooperatives, to promote value-added processing by cooperatives, to provide business technical assistance to cooperatives and cooperative members, and to enhance the utilization of electronic commerce by cooperatives and their members.	\$294,260
Virginia	Southern States Cooperative Foundation	To continue to provide technical assistance to cooperatives in Virginia, North Carolina, and Kentucky, to expand assistance to cooperatives in West Virginia and Georgia, and to strengthen outreach to underserved and limited resource producers in Virginia, North Carolina, and West Virginia.	\$349,800
Washington	Northwest Cooperative Development Center	To promote and coordinate the development of cooperatives to revitalize rural areas and to nurture new and emerging industries that can serve as local and regional business models, to develop new partnerships and reinforce existing collaborative efforts to enhance the quality and scope of cooperative education and development in rural communities, and to improve the capacity of the Center to deliver direct rural cooperative development services through education and training.	\$285,282
Wisconsin	Cooperative Development Services	To deepen the center's capacity to serve important existing cooperative sectors in the Upper Midwest, to build capacity to serve emerging new cooperative needs in the region, and to create systems and relationships to extend the benefits of our work to other cooperative development centers and cooperative	\$325,000

